

DETAILED ACTION

EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT

1. An examiner's amendment to the record appears below. Should the changes and/or additions be unacceptable to applicant, an amendment may be filed as provided by 37 CFR 1.312. To ensure consideration of such an amendment, it MUST be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee.

Authorization for this examiner's amendment was given in a telephone interview with B. Aaron Schulman on June 4, 2008.

The application has been amended as follows:

In the specification,

Page 6, replace the paragraph beginning at line 14 with the following paragraph:

As used herein, the term "phospholipid" refers to a molecule that includes a backbone attached to two fatty acid moieties and a phosphate group, to which an alcohol group may be attached. The backbone on which the fatty acid molecules are attached is variable and may be based on glycerol or sphingosine for example. ~~A diagram of a generic phospholipid is shown below.~~

Page 6, after line 18, DELETE THE DIAGRAM.

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2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance: The above amendment brings the specification into compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.58(a) by deleting the diagram from page 6. The text is amended to provide information equivalent to the deleted diagram.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Daniel C. Gamett, PhD., whose telephone number is (571)272-1853. The examiner can normally be reached on 8:30-5:00.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Manjunath N. Rao can be reached on 571 272 0939. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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